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Bulk Trash Collection WEDNESDAYS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Contact Bates Trucking and Trash Collections at (301) 773-2069 *before* 2pm on Tuesday.

Riverdale Park Annual Easter Egg Hunt

April 16, 2011, 9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. On the grounds of Riversdale Mansion Children, bring your baskets!





Arts Fest 2011:

Call For Artists, Food Vendors, Volunteers

Sunday, May 1, 2011 Historic Town Center, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

There are still select booth spaces available to artists, and a few food vending opportunities open for Riverdale Park's May 1 ArtsFest 2011 at Town Center. The Arts Council is also accepting new members and volunteers to exhibit and help out with producing the festival. For details, contact 301-864-5561 or OurDollMom@aol.com.

Council Actions

By Waverly Pollitt

March 7, 2011 Regular Legislative Meeting

- **1. Approved Minutes for February 7**, 2011 regular legislative meeting.
- **2. Approved –** minutes for special legislative meeting on January 31, 2011.
- **3. Approved** A building permit application for 4907 Oglethorpe
- **4. Approved –** Resolution 2011-R-11 a resolution to appoint Election Judges for Ward 1 and Ward
- **5. Introduced-** Ordinance 2011-OR-01, an ordinance establishing a capital expenditure reserve fund.
- **6. Introduced-** Ordinance 2011-OR-02, an ordinance establishing Town employee post-retirement health insurance benefits.



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It is also the policy of the Town of Riverdale Park to disallow discrimination in fair housing based on race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, disabilities, and/or age

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TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK FAIR SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION 2011-OR-01 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES RESERVE FUND

This is to give notice that the Riverdale Park Town Council has introduced and intends to take action on Resolution 2011-OR-01.

Resolution 2011-OR-01 would add Chapter 13, Budget, to the Riverdale Park Town Code to establish a continuing, non-lapsing capital expenditures reserve fund for the Town of Riverdale Park; to provide for the appropriation to and expenditure of monies from this reserve fund; to provide for emergency loans from this reserve fund; and matters generally related to a capital expenditures reserve fund for the Town of Riverdale Park.

Resolution 2011-OR-01 is available for inspection by the public at Town Hall during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RIVERDALE PARK TOWN COUNCIL

BY: SARA IMHULSE, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK FAIR SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION 2011-OR-02 TOWN EMPLOYEE POST-RETIREMENT HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS

This is to give notice that the Riverdale Park Town Council has introduced and intends to take action on Resolution 2011-OR-02.

Resolution 2011-OR-02 would add Chapter 51, Personnel, to the Riverdale Park Town Code to establish a program to provide certain post-retirement health insurance benefits for certain employees of the Town of Riverdale Park; to provide the terms and conditions for this program; and to generally relate to providing post-employment benefits for certain retirees of the Town of Riverdale Park.

Resolution 2011-OR-02 is available for inspection by the public at Town Hall during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RIVERDALE PARK TOWN COUNCIL

BY: SARA IMHULSE, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

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Riversdale House Museum Events

TASTING THE PAST AT RIVERSDALE

Riversdale House Museum is the c. 1801 home of Charles Benedict Calvert, an agricultural reformer and founder of the Maryland Agricultural College, now known as the University of Maryland College Park. Join our foodways historian and Riversdale Kitchen Guild on Saturday, April 9, 2011 at 2pm, for a culinary journey that will take your taste buds back in time to the middle of the nineteenth century. The program will include a short talk about heirloom corn and wheat followed by a guided tasting of historic nineteenth century recipes made with the heirloom grain varietals. In addition, guests can visit the nineteenth century open hearth dependency kitchen where a member of the Kitchen Guild will be cooking dishes using the heirloom grains.

The cost is \$12 for residents of Prince George's and Montgomery Counties and \$15 for non-residents. Advance registration is required by Friday, April 1, 2011. Capacity is limited, so call early to ensure a spot! Call 301-864-0420 or email *Riversdale@pgparks.com* to register.

Riversdale House Museum, a National Historic Landmark, is located at 4811 Riverdale Road, in Riverdale Park, Maryland. For more information, call 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544; or email at *riversdale@pgparks.com*.

Mayor's Report

By Mayor Vernon Archer

It has become increasingly obvious over the last decade that managing water, both to prevent flooding and as a precious resource, is one of the biggest challenges we face throughout our entire region. There have been three recent developments I want to share with you that highlight both the opportunities and challenges of water management.

Storm-Water Management Grant Provides Catalyst for Renewed Municipal Center

We received a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust to provide a storm-water management system to control runoff and improve water quality flowing into the North East Branch. This system will be located at the eastern terminus of Queensbury Road just past Town Hall and the Public Works Facility. The feature that will be constructed is commonly referred to as a "rain garden" in that it will hold a large quantity of rain in a carefully stratified rock and soil area topped with vegetation that consumes and holds large quantities of water as well as filters the water of contaminants. Excess water is slowly released into the Wells Run and shortly afterward into the North East Branch.

The rain garden itself is great, but by providing for the management of a substantial part of the area's existing runoff potential, it will open up great possibilities to solve a number of issues in the surrounding area. Both the Town Government and Riverdale Elementary have had substantial parking constraints that now can be addressed. The school, MNCPPC and town have long desired to improve the playground and sports surfaces in the immediate area. Lastly, improving pedestrian access in and around the school is a safety need as well as a desired convenience.

Since learning of the storm-water grant we have forged a plan with the school system and MNCPPC to begin to take advantage of these new opportunities. While it will cost the town some small matching funds, over all we will see most improvements paid by other sources. For example we will look to MNCPPC and the Maryland Community Parks and Playgrounds grants to build the playgrounds, sports courts and improve pedestrian access.

While there are many details left to work out and formal commitments are in the future, it is heartening to see the possibilities of bringing some true improvement to the area surrounding our town hall and local school.

Anacostia Levee Restoration

Riverdale Park, along with neighboring towns, has been informed that county public works has completed the design for a restoration of the levee system that protects our towns from large scale flooding events up to what is commonly

called the "100 year flood." The plans call for raising the height of some parts of the levee up to a maximum of 2 feet in order to insure adequate protection from the once-a-century flood.

As of the time of this writing, public works has not shared with municipalities which parts of the levee are actually affected, but we are working to find this out so we can prepare. Once we have identified where the impacts will be we will initiate plans to minimize the impact construction will have on our town. Central to the plan will be keeping all of you informed and in particular we will communicate by letter with residents adjacent to the levee. County public works has been slow to inform us, but I am confident that from this point forward we will find them cooperative to insure that restoration goes as smoothly as possible.

Wells Run Study

Riverdale Park has signed an MOU with our neighbors Hyattsville and University Park to share information and cooperate in managing and restoring Wells Run. This creek enters town from University Park and flows east until entering the North East Branch just north of the bridge on Riverdale Road. As our first joint action we have agreed to cosponsor a study of the entire watershed of that drainage. The information that will come from the study will be useful in making decisions about the creek and help us to identify what the possibilities are for some level of restoration of a more natural stream bed in our section of the stream.

In particular we are hopeful that the study will assist in reaching a regional plan for holding headwater runoff from Prince Georges Plaza, University Town Center and surrounding areas in a wetland known as "9 Ponds" which is just east of Adelphi Road. If a solution to holding and slowing the runoff in this headwater area is found, we will have increased options downstream in Riverdale Park about how to manage expected stream flow. While it is certain that we will have to maintain the concrete channel in parts of Wells Run, if the rapid runoff is controlled then there is a possibility of stream restoration in some areas to a more natural stream bed.

Ward and Committee Reports

Ward Two Report

By Council Member Alan Thompson akthompsons@riverdaleparkmd.gov

Finance Committee Report

As I write this, trees throughout the town (and ward) are blooming, showing that spring is most definitely in the air. I've spent the last few weekends walking through town and talking to residents in preparation for the upcoming election, and am learning both what concerns people, and what they appreciate about our fine town. I'm looking forward to speaking with as many of you as I can over the coming weeks.

With the arrival of spring came, perhaps a bit early, the opening of soccer season. The Public Works department has ordered a new set of nets for the Field of Dreams, and hopefully by the time you are reading this article the new nets are in place.

In late February I attended a meeting of the Wells Run Stream Committee in University Park. This was not a meeting of the recently-established intermunicipal committee, just their local committee. There was good news in that the so-called "9 ponds" stormwater management project seems to be heading for approval, which means that, after construction, Wells Run will have much smaller variations in flow (which means it will be much less likely to overflow after a

storm, and also be less likely to dry up during a drought). Their committee had also done an informal survey of water flow in the Cafritz property, with some thought of how possible development of the property would impact Wells Run.

The Finance Committee met on March 16 and had a very full agenda. We reviewed employee benefit data for nearby towns, and asked staff to clarify some of the information for a future meeting. We reviewed health care costs for the town, which have been fairly stable over the last few years (and we hope they continue to be). We asked that Town Administrator Imhulse investigate whether the town could save money by refinancing its current debt, and I anticipate that the Town Council will receive a briefing on this, and possibly approve it, at the April meeting (the briefing and vote will occur only if the refinancing would be beneficial; the investigation was at no cost to the town). We discussed pending legislation to limit future costs for retiree health benefits, and asked that the town attorney make modifications to the legislation to address our concerns.

I hope that all of you are enjoying spring, and look forward to seeing you either at your door or at upcoming town events (especially the Farmer's Market, which will open on April 14).

Public Works Report

By Leonard Addison

Pepco & Delmarva Home Energy Savings

Program – Pepco & Delmarva have joined together to sponsor an Income Eligible Energy Efficiency Program (IEEEP) program that would provide qualified residents in the Pepco/Delmarva Power service territory in Maryland, with a comprehensive home energy audit to determine the most effective measures to install in their homes to reduce energy costs. After inspecting the property for potential heating, ventilation and air conditioning safety issues, the work would be completed by a Building Performance Institute certified professionals.

The program features weatherization measures (attic/wall insulation, air sealing, door/window weather stripping, duct sealing and insulation), electric saving measures (compact fluorescent light bulbs, tank and pipe wraps for electric water heaters, low flow showerheads, faucet aerators), appliance replacement components (refrigerators, room air conditioners, electric hot water heathers and tune up or replacement of inefficient electric heating and cooling equipment.

The duration of the program is through December 31, 2011. The worthwhile services are provided gratis to the residents who are chosen for the program.

If you are interested in this program, please call the Department of Public Works for the referral application and guidelines at 301-864-1803.

<u>Saturday Drop Off</u> – The next scheduled day for drop off of bulk trash will be on Saturday, April 16th, from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

<u>Holiday Trash Collection</u> – Trash collection during the month of April will not be affected by scheduled holiday.

Community Clean Up and Earth Day - Riverdale Park is having its annual community spring clean up on April 9, 2011. Residents are offered the opportunity to put their yard waste/bulk trash items on the curb the evening of Friday, April 8th for pick up on Saturday, April 9th.

• Earth Day - As part of its contribution to the Anacostia Watershed Society's efforts to clean up the Anacostia River in celebration of Earth Day, residents

are asked to join us as we do our share to clean a portion of the river. The site designated for our area is the northeast branch of the river from River Road to Riverdale Road. Volunteers wishing to participate in either the community clean up or the Earth Day events are asked to call the Department of Public Works at 301-864-1803. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**. Student volunteers earn community service hours for this activity.

Riverdale Park Business Association

By Audrey Bragg

The Riverdale Park Business Association had its meeting on March 9, 2011. Our main topic was the Purple Line and how it affects the Businesses along the Kenilworth Ave/Riverdale Road Corridor. Many of the business owners are in the dark about what will happen to their businesses. Bruce Wernek put a package together showing the map of the proposed purple line, and listing where the business were on the map. After lengthy discussion, we decided to invite the officials from the Purple Line to our next business meeting on April 13, 2011 to clarify what the impact is to our business.

Our dinner committee will be meeting to discuss the when and where of our Annual Dinner and will have a plan for our next meeting.

We are looking forward to participating in Earth Day with the Town and Anacostia Watershed Society.

Audrey Bragg, President

Boy Scouts Troop 252

By Bob Killen

Troop 252 bicycled about twelve miles at Jug Bay Feb 19-20, camping overnight at site 3 (our favorite and first time for three of our new Boy Scouts). There was a "Red Alert," dry and windy, for the entire weekend. One of our tents attempted to fly away before it was tagged down, but that was the only excitement. We had a cold camp - no fire- and ate at Bo Jangles. The younger Scouts were just about out of energy just before lunch and just before dinner (supper). We saw evidence of deer, dogs, geese and rabbits. NOBODY got hurt! The younger Scouts now know that they have to work on their endurance so they can BE PREPARED to ride on longer treks.

Of the younger Scouts, Michael, Samir and Joseph are working feverishly on advancement. Joel Sandoval's Eagle Package is not back from National Council yet. Ismael Villalta timed out. Eighteen snuck up on him, and his last rush got started too late.

Senior Patrol Leader Yorman Amador turns eighteen in June, and we have high hopes for his earning Eagle rank, plus one Eagle Palm, if he stays focused. He won a \$140,000 college scholarship, and he gives the credit to Boy Scouts. I give all the credit to his diligence and perseverance.

SM Killen attended the University of Scouting at Hayfield Secondary School in Alexandria on 26 February - a good motorcycle ride.

We're active with the NCAC International Committee on Scouting, and this June we're going to Camp Roosevelt with Swedish Scouts and Scouters, and doing demonstrations of knots at the Embassy, and identification of flora and fauna at Camp Roosevelt.

Two more short (less than 30 miles) bicycle trips - the Baltimore-Annapolis Rails-to-Trails (Annapolis - BWI and back), and Cedarville State Forest, then tubing at Harper's Ferry are on our short list of things to do, and you can join us - contact MHB at 301-864-0059 or Bob Killen at *rfkille@yahoo.com* or 301-483-8455.

ArtsFest 2011: Art, Food, Music, and Fun at Town Center

By Emily Fanning

Like blossoming forsythia in late March, the annual arts in Riverdale Park on the first Sunday in May, has become a true harbinger of spring. The fourth annual event, ArtsFest2011, is set for May 1 at Town Center and will feature dozens of artists and craftsmen, along with a slew of musical acts appealing to the town's multi-ethnic diversity.

Among the top artists expected to participate in the free, day-long show produced by the Riverdale Park Arts Council are Town residents Gerald King, Tina Van Pelt and Robert Kraft.

The festival, which runs 11 am to 6 pm, also features more than five hours of all-local, free music beginning at noon. Wayne Brown & 2nd Conspiracy, a popular Good Times Rock 'n' Roll band, makes its debut in Riverdale Park, where Brown has lived for more than two decades. Also in the line up are Brûlée, a Jazz-Infused, Americana-Marinated Alt-Pop four-piece group includes upright bass player Andrew Brown who also resides in Riverdale Park. Another town favorite set

to push the program into full tilt is La Tradicion Grupo, led by Eduardo Sanchez. The six-member troop has built a legion of followers enthralled by the band's authentic and upbeat regional Mexican rhythm. Members of the Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation will be there to keep Piedmont Blues and down-home musical storytelling alive with performances and workshops.

King, a life-long artist who spent 30 years as a professor at Prince George's Community College and who, as a self-described image maker, King has spent a day or two a week over the past two decades in the National Gallery of Art capturing each detail of paintings by the realists including Edouard Monet and Edgar Degas, of France, and Americans Thomas Eakins and Winslow Homer. Over a span of six-to-18-months, King skillfully copies the famous works, and, in doing so, says King, "I've gained an appreciation for every aspect of that art." The realists, adds King, had "a mystical skill" that allowed them to produce incredible works before modern photography set a tone with images.

King's skills have won him international accolades. In October 2009, he was the guest of Her Royal Highness Princess Areej Ghazi of Jordan." American-educated Princess Areej Ghazi had opened a school near Amman and sought to "introduce Western renaissance and culture into the curriculum." King gave art seminars to the faculty and students.

A King's Brush

Closer to home, King's brush is better known for his adaptations of the Riversdale mansion that he's placed along the quaint banks of the Northeast Branch of the Anacostia River, the charming Town Center and its popular clock, and serene southern views of the river looking toward Edmonston. Each portrait has a calming affect that transports the viewer's imagination back in time when America was very young.

Van Pelt's line of fused glass jewelry appeals to many tastes and has won wide acclaim locally. Using a variety of Italian Murano glass, American "Bullseye" glass, and beautiful iridescent dichroic glass, she has fashioned a unique offering of pendants, earrings, pins, and other glass pieces at very affordable prices. Her appearance, along with dozen of artists who will be offering their work for sale, comes at a perfect time for buying gifts for Mother's Day, which comes the Sunday after the festival.

Kraft is an expert woodcarver, renowned for his detail in carving waterfowl. His handcrafted wooden decoys have been show-stoppers all along the eastern seaboard, particularly in capital of Duckdom -- Easton,

Md. -- where his works are much-sought after, prized material. Kraft's work captured a top-prize in the International Wildfowl Carvers Association's 2003 California Open competition.

Riverdale Park's very own Elephant Art Gallery, which supports the Thai Elephant Conservation Center will be open to visitors while Delvin Fanning, Ph.D., Emeritus Professor of the University of Maryland's Soil Science Department and better known as "the Dean of Dirt," will present his popular soil exhibition and talk – it always generates a crowd of young and old excited to learn what's beneath their feet. Local gardener Marita Novicky hopes to again present the children's "Green Scene," where youngsters paint potted plants, turning them into cherished Mother's Day gifts, presented the following Sunday. Their works, along with the products of dozens of other artists and artisans, food vendors including Maryland's Elk Run Vineyards, and selected local musicians' recordings will be available for sale during ArtsFest 2011. Tickets for a raffle to benefit the Riverdale Arts Council will go on sale April 14 when the Farmer's Market season opens at Town Center.

RPAC thanks Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (ATHA) for its generous contribution to ArtsFest2011.

Emily Fanning is president of the Riverdale Park Arts Council, producer of ArtsFest2011, set for May 1.

She can be reached at 301-864 5561 or OurDollMom@aol.com.

Community Circles

Anacostia Watershed Society

On April 9, 2011 the Anacostia Watershed Society (AWS) is hosting our annual Earth Day Cleanup and Celebration! We are partnering with the Town of Riverdale Park to remove trash and debris along the banks of the NE Branch of the Anacostia River from River Road to Riverdale Road from 9 to 11:30 am, please plan to join us. AWS will provide bags, gloves, and T-shirts. The event is rain or shine. The celebration will be at the Bladensburg Waterfront Park, 4601 Annapolis Road, from noon to 2 PM--featuring a free

picnic lunch for volunteers, speakers and entertainment. Mark your calendars and plan to join your neighbors and friends to create a cleaner, healthier river environment for all to enjoy. Check our website www.anacostiaws.org for specific site details.

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Local Organizations

Lion's Club Meeting: Every Fourth Wednesday. Contact President Guy Tiberio at (240) 375-8902. **Northern County Soccer Alliance:** Contact *NCSA @ soccer.net* or (301) 927-0560.

Riverdale Park Daisy Troop #2546: Contact Danielle Glaros at (301) 779-5915.

Riverdale Park Boys Scouts Troop 252— Contact: Scoutmaster Bob Killen at (202) 282-8302. Madison Hill Homeowners Association—For information, call (301) 583-8857 or visit

information, call (301) 583-8857 or visit www.madisonhill.org.

Riversdale Historical Society – Riversdale Mansion. Contact (301) 864-0420.

Riverdale Park Farmer's Market -- Contact Jim Coleman at 301-332-6258.

Riverdale Boys & Girls Club—Email riverdaleboysgirlsclub@yahoo.com (301) 277-KIDS

Riverdale Park Business Association—call Audrey Bragg at 301-277-7393 for meeting site Riverdale Park Arts Council—Contact Emily Fanning at ourdollmom@aol.com